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1. COMMENTS ON SUITABILITY OF PRODUCT THEME SUPPLIED IN REF B ARE STILL VALID, BASED ON REVIEW OF COMMUNICATIONS/ELECTRONICS SECTOR OF COMPREHENSIVE COUNTRY MARKET STUDY JUST COMPLETED BY LOCAL MARKET RESEARCH CONTRACTOR. FINAL DRAFT BEING TRANSMITTED TO USDOC WITHIN NEXT FEW DAYS AND CAN BE CONSULTED IN OIM/MRD.

2. IF MISSION STILL DESIRES TO INCLUDE IRAN IN LIGHT OF PARA 1, SEPTEMBER 3-8 TIMING PRESENTS PROBLEMS BECAUSE TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 IS AN IRANIAN RELIGIOUS HOLIDAY (DEATH OF IMAN ALI). ALTHOUGH GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE SECTOR OFFICES ARE NOT NECESARILY CLOSED FOR THE DAYS AFTER SEPTEMBER 6, THAT DAY AND FOLLOWING THREE-DAY PERIOD CONSTITUTE "DEEP MOURNING" PERIOD OF RAMAZAN HOLIDAY. EFFECTIVE TIME IN IRAN WOULD THEREFORE BE LIMITED TO SEPTEMBER 4 AND 5 AND AS NOTED IN PARA 3 OF REF B, WE SUGGEST THAT TIME BE SPENT IN SHIRAZ FOR VISIT TO IEI FACTORY.

3. MISSION MAY WISH TO CONSIDER REVERSING IRAN AND ISRAEL PORTIONS, KEEPING IN MIND THAT IRANIAN WEEKEND UNCLASSIFIED

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IS THURSAY/FRIDAY AND THAT EARLIER PERIOD STILL FALLS IN RAMAZAN. SCHEDULING FOR PERIOD FOLLOWING SEPTEMBER 10 NOT RECOMMENDED AS TEHRAN INTERNATIONAL TRADE FAIR BEGINS SEPTEMBER 18.

4. TRADE CENTER IS AVAILABLE FOR USE BY MISSION DURING PERIOD AUGUST 25-SEPTEMBER 10.

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